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and
THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS
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TRUST FUNDS AS AT DECEMBER, 1914.
253,970,367.
E- Authorized Capital, £1,000,000.
Subscribed Capital, £24,900,000.
Paid-up Capital, £23,437,500.
H- Fire Funds, £3,887,047.
H- Life & Annuity Funds, £1,567,590.
Sinking Fund Account, £28,230.
£23,970,367.
Revenue Fire Branch, £2,381,456.
Life and Annuity, £1,141,593.
Revenue Marine Department, £37,239.
Other Receipts, £75,940.
£25,339,228.
The Accumulative Funds of the various
Branches are separately invested, and, by
Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet
the claims under the respective Depart-
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WEEK DAY
7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
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1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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HONGKONG, April 12, 1918.

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THE WAR.
TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CIVIL WAR IN RUSSIA.

**MAXIMALISTS CLAIM SUCCESSES
IN SOUTH RUSSIA.**

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27.
The Maximalists claim successes
at various places in the south of
Russia, notably at Sebastopol, where,
it is reported, the naval forces sided
with the Soviets and the Reds was
dispersed.

POLES FIGHTING RUSSIANS.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27.
Owing to the Maximalists arresting
the leaders of the Polish military
organisations the Polish Legionaries
have occupied several railway
stations in Moghilev and have dis-
armed the Russian garrisons.

**STARVATION THREATENING
PETROGRAD.**

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27.
Owing to the Peasants refusing to
sell grain for depreciated paper
roubles, the closing of the Ukrainian
and other granaries, and the dis-
organisation of transport, the inhabi-
tants of Petrograd, including many
thousands of undisciplined soldiery
will shortly be faced with starvation.

**CIVIL WAR SPREADING IN
FINLAND.**

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27.
It appears that civil war is spread-
ing in Finland where the Russian
soldiers and sailors are apparently
co-operating with the Finnish Red
Guards.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

HARD FIGHTING IN THE AIR.

LONDON, Jan. 27.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig,
reporting on aviation, states—
Our aeroplanes bombed large rail-
way sidings at Courtrai and billets at
Roulers.

There was hard fighting all along
the line, which resulted greatly in
our favour.
We brought down ten and drove
down six enemy machines. One of
ours is missing.
Our night fliers, last night, dropped
eight tons of bombs, bombing five
large aerodromes in the neighbour-
hood of Ghent and billets in the
vicinity of Douai. One hundred and
sixty bombs were dropped on a new
aerodrome, to the west of Tournai.
All our machines returned.

**THE DEMOCRATISATION OF THE
RUSSIAN NAVY.**

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27.
A decree has been issued providing
that the personnel of the Navy shall
consist of citizens, all having the
same rights and that every sailor
shall be entitled to belong to any
political party and to profess openly
his views.
The decree also provides that the
entire commanding personnel shall be
elected by universal suffrage.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 28.
Silver is quoted at 45½. The
Market is very quiet.

THE PLAGUE IN NORTH CHINA.

PEKING, Jan. 27.
The plague has spread inside the
Great Wall towards Taiyuanfu, but
the authorities are now more active
in preventive measures and it is
hoped that the outbreak will soon be
under control.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Jan. 27.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports—
The enemy raided a post southward
of Fontaine-lès-Croisilles.
An enemy party was driven off
northward of Paschendale. Hostile
artillery was active at Havincourt and
Poelcapelle.
We captured a few prisoners in
patrol encounters southward of Cambrai.
Hostile artillery is active in the
Scarpe Valley.

GREAT AERIAL ACTIVITY.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig,
reporting on aviation, says—
There has been great activity on the
northern front.
We dropped over three hundred
bombs on Courtrai, Ledeghem and
Douai railway stations on an aerodrome
at Courtrai and on billets to the west of
Cambrai.

One pilot machine-gunned a hanger
at Douai.
We brought down seven of the
enemy's machines and five others were
rendered uncontrollable.

Two of our machines are missing,
one of which was seen to collide with
an enemy machine during a combat.
Our night fliers bombed aerodromes
and billets at Ghent, Courtrai and
Roulers.

All the machines returned.
We also bombed the Mannheim
factories, hitting a factory and docks
in town.

We also bombed barracks and the
railway station at Treves, steel works at
Thionville and railway stations at
Saarbrücken and Oberbiling.

Our pilots report large explosions at
all objectives and large fires at Treves.
One of our machines is missing.

FRENCH ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Jan. 28.
A French communiqué reports artillery
actions, sometimes violent, in the Butte
du Meuni and Mont-Homme sectors,
but no infantry action.

French anti-aircraft guns brought
down three German machines on Friday.

ENEMY RAID ON FRENCH FAIR.

LONDON, Jan. 28.
A French communiqué says that there
was a lively artillery duel at Caumont
Wood, where an enemy raid failed.

**MORE OF FRENCH LINE TAKEN
OVER BY BRITISH.**

LONDON, Jan. 25.
Reuter's special Correspondent, the
British Front states that the British
have taken over more of the French line.
The British Front now extends
slightly south of St. Quentin.

NAVAL AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Jan. 28.
The Admiralty announces that aircraft
bombed and hit an aerodrome at Vers-
senaers-to-day.

All our machines returned.
During patrols on Wednesday we
destroyed two enemy machines and
shot down two uncontrollable.

One of our machines is missing.

OPERATIONS IN PALESTINE.

GOOD AERIAL WORK.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

An official despatch from Palestine
states—
Our aeroplanes bombed camps and
depots westward of Sebastia and
obtained several direct hits. They also
surprised two thousand troops in close
formation southward of Nablus and
dropped half a ton of bombs on them
before they could disperse. They also
bombed a camp of mounted troops,
stamping the animals.

THE PRICE OF TEA.

LONDON, Jan. 28.
In connection with the report that
the Food Controller intends to fix a
flat rate of 24.8d. per pound for all tea
sold as soon as the whole of the tea
imports pass into his hands, the Financial
Times points out that the Government
would thus make a profit of about 6d.
per pound. It expresses the opinion
that a rate of 24.8d. per pound could be
fixed without involving the department
in any loss.

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Hughes & Hough
AUCTIONEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT.

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Agents.

PROPRIETORS
"To-Kwa-Wan" Coal Storage.

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Bentley's
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A Telegraphic Code.

Telegraphic Address
"HONGKONG" HONGKONG.

THE UNDERSIGNED beg to notify the proposed sale by private tender of the Hull of the above-named Steamer as the now lies stranded on the East Point of NAUCHAU ISLAND, about twenty-five miles from Kwan Chai Wan.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER.

- The vessel is offered for sale as she now lies, with her Engines, Boilers, Anchors and Chains and such other equipment as may be on board, (but no Cargo is to be considered in the tender).
 - The vessel is now guarded by the French authorities.
 - All tenders should reach the Office of the Undersigned on or before Noon, SATURDAY, the 9th February, 1918.
 - A Deposit must accompany each tender, the amount of which may be returned at this Office, and Deposit will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.
 - The Vendor do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender. Further particulars regarding the conditions of sale, and a list of fittings and fixtures to be sold with the ship, can be obtained on application from the Undersigned.
- For and on account of the Concerned,
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Hongkong, Jan. 9, 1918.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned),

on

TUESDAY,

the 29th January, 1918, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 5, Des Voeux Road, Corner of

ICE HOUSE STREET,

A COMMISSION OF

HOUSEHOLD LINENS, &c.,

Comprising:—

Single and Double Plain and Hemstitched Sheets, Pillow Cases, Bed

Quilts, Table Cloths, Pure Linen

Damask Serviettes, Bath Sheets, Bath

Towels, Turkish Towels, &c., &c.,

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1918.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned),

on

TUESDAY,

the 29th January, 1918, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 5,

Des Voeux Road, Corner of

ICE HOUSE STREET,

A COMMISSION OF

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD

FURNITURE, TWIN BEDSTEADS,

CURTAINS, CARPETS, PICTURES,

&c., AND A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

As follows:—

Upholstered Suites, Arm-chairs and

Overstuffed Sofas, Card Tables, &c.,

Bedroom Furniture comprising Double

and Single Brass and Brass-mounted

Bedsteads, and Twin Bedsteads, Side-

boards, Dinner Waggon, Extension

Dining Tables and Chairs, Tea and

Occasional Tables, &c., Dinner Services,

AUCTION.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. DOO CHING KEE to sell by Public Auction,

on

FRIDAY and SATURDAY,

the 1st and 2nd February, 1918, commencing at 2.30 p.m. each day, at his

premises "The Old Post Office Building" Queen's Road Central,

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

CHINESE PORCELAINS,

BAKEMONOS, CURIOS,

&c., &c.,

Comprising:—

A large variety of 5-coloured and

3-coloured Vases and Plates, Blue and

White Vases and Figures, &c., Old

Bronzes, including Incense Burners of

the Sung and Ming Dynasties, Pekingese

Cloisonne, Amber and Jadestone Orna-

ments, Beads, Carved Bamboo Ware,

Rakemonos and Wall Hangings, Jade-

stone Charms, Ivory Carvings, etc., and

a large number of Old Bru

Bettles,

Also

Fine Jadestone Inlaid Screens,

Plaques, etc.

The greater portion of the above

stock has recently arrived from the

North and includes pieces from the

Ming, Kanghi, Yungching, Kienlung

and Kowloon Periods.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

On view from Thursday, 31st Inst.,

at 2 p.m.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Jan. 24, 1918.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE.

TUSCULUM, Barker Road, 18,

Peak.

Apply: **DUNCAN CLARK,**

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1918.

FOR SALE.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell at their Sales

Rooms, No. 5, Des Voeux Road, Corner

of Ice House Street,

MOTOR YACHT

Built 1914, had very little usage,

Hull Teakwood

Length, water-line 29' 6" over all 32'

Beam 6'

Draft 3'

Motor "Scipps", Heavy duty 14 H.P.

Complete with Lavatory, Refrigerator,

Suit of Sails, and all Appurtenances.

Price and full particulars may be

obtained from the Undersigned.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Jan. 9, 1918.

TO LET

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FURNISHED HOUSE at Mount

Davis, Pokfulam Road, for Febru-

ary, March and April. Rent moderate.

Apply:—

H. E. GOLDSMITH, P. W. D.

Hongkong, Jan. 14, 1918.

TO LET.

OFFICES in York Building.

HOUSES on Shantung Canton.

Apply to:—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, August 23, 1917.

TO LET.

IMMEDIATE ENTRY, four very

desirable **SHOPS** situated in Ice

House Street, opposite the Grand Hotel,

recently reconstructed.

For rent and other particulars apply

to the Manager, **HONGKONG ICE CO., Ltd.**

46 Connaught Road Central.

Hongkong, August 2, 1917.

TO LET.

A FLAT in Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Four roomed houses in Kowloon.

Apply to:—

RUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE

CO., LTD.

Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, August 23, 1917.

TO LET.

BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP OF

THE COLONY.

Held under the Auspices of the V.R.C.

Preliminary games 250 up.

Final 1,000 up.

Winner of the Competition to meet

Sept. W. Pitt, holder of the title, in

a game of 1,000 up.

All games to be played at the V.R.C.

Entrance Fee \$2.00.

Three Prizes for the Winner of

Competition, the Runner Up and the

Highest Break.

Entries close 31st January, 1918.

K. O. WYCHELL,

Hon. Sec. V.R.C.

THE WAR.

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SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Editor's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMAN CHANCELLOR ON WAR AIMS.

REPLY TO PRESIDENT WILSON'S 14 CONDITIONS OF PEACE.

LONDON, Jan. 25.

Count Hertling (the German

Chancellor) in the speech in the Main

Committee of the Reichstag (part of

which was reported in Saturday night's

China Mail) dealt with the fourteen

points of President Wilson's speech

which were tabled on January 9th, and

are reproduced now with the additional

of Count Hertling's replies:—

(1)—Open covenants of peace,

openly arrived at, after which there

shall be no private international under-

standings of any kind but diplomacy

shall always proceed frankly and in

public view.

We are ready to accept this proposal.

(2)—Absolute freedom of navigation

of the seas outside territorial waters,

alike in peace or war, except as the seas

may be closed wholly or partly by in-

ternational action for the enforcement

of international covenants.

We are in thorough accord with

this. President Wilson demands as his

second point the freedom of the seas.

One of our main future demands is

complete freedom of navigation in war

and peace. There is no difference here

between us and President Wilson, but

it is eminently important for the future

freedom of navigation that England

shall relinquish strong fortified routes

like Gibraltar, Malta, Aden, Hongkong

and the Falklands.

(3)—The removal, as far as possible,

of all economic barriers and the estab-

lishment of equality of trade conditions

among all the peoples consenting to the

peace and associating for its main-

tenance.

(Count Hertling does not reply to

this point.)

(4)—That adequate guarantees be

given and taken that international

armaments be reduced to the lowest

consistent with domestic safety.

As we have already declared, the

idea of restriction of military prepara-

tion is quite open to discussion. The

financial position of all European coun-

tries after the war will probably work

most effectively for a satisfactory solu-

tion of this question.

(5)—Free, open-minded and absolute-

ly impartial adjustment of all colonial

claims, based on the strict observance

of the principle that in determining all

such questions of sovereignty the inter-

ests of the populations concerned must

have equal weight with the equitable

claims of the Government whose title is

to be determined.

The practical realization of President

Wilson's principle will encounter diffi-

culties. It may for the present be left

to England to make what she will of

linked to Germanism and which has in a highly gratifying manner been ever increasingly developed economically and of which more than 87 per cent. speak German as their mother tongue.—(Loud applause.)

(9)—The re-adjustment of the frontiers of Italy should be effected along clearly recognizable lines nationally. This principally concerns Austria-Hungary.

(10)—The peoples of Austria-Hungary, whose place among the nations we wish to see safeguarded, should accept the opportunity for autonomous development.

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(11)—Rumania, Serbia and Montenegro should be evacuated, occupied territories restored, Serbia accorded free and secure access to the sea, and the mutual relations of the Balkan States determined by friendly counsel along historically established lines of allegiance and nationality, with international guarantees for their political and economic independence and territorial integrity.

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(12)—The Turkish portions of the present Ottoman Empire should be secured secure sovereignty, but other nationalities living under Turkish rule should be assured of security of life and autonomous development; the Danubian should be permanently open and free under international guarantees.

To this statement of Turkey the answer may be left in the first place, but Germany would second them every support. The integrity of Turkey and the safeguarding of Constantinople, with which the question of the Straits is closely connected, are important and vital to German interests.

(13)—An independent Polish State should be created to include territories inhabited by indisputably Polish populations with free and secure access to the sea and international guarantees of political and economic independence and territorial integrity.

The Central Empires liberated Poland from the Czar's regime. They are therefore entitled to decide Poland's future constitution.

(14)—A general association of nations must be formed, under a specific covenant, for the purpose of affording mutual guarantees for the political independence and territorial integrity of great and small States alike.

The Imperial Government is ready to discuss the basis of a League of Peoples when all the other questions are settled.

Mr. Lloyd-George and President Wilson's proposals contain certain peace principles to which Germany has assented and which form the starting point and aim of the negotiations, but the concrete proposals are not satisfactory. Our enemies do not desire to destroy Germany, but cast covetous eyes on their opponents' territories.

The Chancellor declared that the military position was never so favourable.

Count Hertling concluded by saying that the enemies' attitude was still that of victors. Their idea was that Germany must do penance and promise to reform. "They must drop this attitude," he said. "Our highly-gifted army leaders face the future with undiminished confidence in victory. Throughout the whole army unbroken joy of battle prevails. Let us hold together, for victory will be ours and good peace must come. God is with us and will be in the future."

PARIS, Jan. 25.

There has been no comment hitherto on Count Hertling's speech, owing to the late arrival of the speech, but the newspapers express the opinion that Count Czernin, sitting on the suggestion of Berlin, is endeavouring to entice the Entente into a peace conference or at least start negotiations with the United States.

AUSTRIA'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS PEACE.

SPEECH BY COUNT CZERNIN.

CONVINCED GENERAL PEACE NOT FAR OFF.

LONDON, Jan. 25.

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

8.30 p.m.—Meeting of Members of St. George's Society.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.

Company Meetings—

11.30 a.m.—West Point Building Co.

11.45.—Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd.

12 noon.—Hongkong Land Investment Co.

12.15 p.m.—Hongkong Land Reclamation Co.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture &c. at Messrs. Hughes & Hoag's.

9.15 p.m.—First performance of Horace Goldin at Victoria Theatre.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 30.—

9.15 p.m.—Concert at Helena May Institute.

THURSDAY, Jan. 31.—

Noon.—Prize-giving at the Diocesan School.

FRIDAY, Feb. 1.—

Noon.—Prize-giving at Bellis Public School.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Chinese Porcelain, Curio &c. by Messrs. Hughes & Hoag, at Old Post Office Building.

SATURDAY, Feb. 2.—

2.15 p.m.—Formal opening of Tatum Tuk Reservoir.

2.15 p.m.—Concert at Theatre Royal by A. Mirovitch and M. Piatro.

MEEDAY, Feb. 4.—

12 noon.—Prize-giving at Ellis Kadourie School.

TUESDAY, Feb. 5.—

11.30 a.m.—Union Waterboat Co. Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

FRIDAY, Feb. 6.—

Prize-giving at Queen's College.

THURSDAY, Feb. 7.—

9.15 p.m.—Concert at Theatre Royal by A. Mirovitch and M. Piatro.

SATURDAY, Feb. 8.—

11.30 a.m.—Humphreys Estate & Finance Co. Annual Meeting.

MONDAY, Feb. 11.—

Chinese New Year.

MONDAY, Feb. 25.—

Hongkong Jockey Club Races.

TUESDAY, Feb. 26.—

Second day of Races.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27.—

Third day of Races.

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themselves determined for the government of their relations with one another. Without this healing act the whole structure and validity of international law is forced and impaired." The German Chancellor curtly dismisses the subject as being one whose details will be settled by the Peace Conference. On the subject of Alsace-Lorraine, the Chancellor claims these provinces as German territory and says that "under no false phrases of any kind will we permit the enemy to again take Alsace-Lorraine from us." President Wilson says the wrong done to France by Prussia in 1871 in the matter of Alsace-Lorraine, which has unsettled the peace of the world for nearly fifty years, should be righted so that peace may be once more made secure in the interests of all. Mr. Lloyd George says that the British Empire means to stand by the French democracy to the death in the demand which they make for the reconsideration of the great wrong of 1871. Here are two clear-cut issues, and there is no bridging them. Of the conditions concerned with the restoration or self-determination of territories on the frontiers of Austria-Hungary, the German Chancellor's reply is that such questions concern Austria-Hungary, while as regards questions more directly affecting Turkey, the Chancellor states that Germany would afford Turkish statesmen every support for "the integrity of Turkey and the safeguarding of Constantinople, with which the question of the Dardanelles is closely connected, are important and vital to German interests." It is not enough for Germany that these straits should be permanently open and free under international guarantees; the German Government evidently regards the interests of Germany as being widely different from the interests of the world as a whole. A close study of the Chancellor's speech reveals that there is no abandonment by Germany of her aspirations for world dominion, but only a willingness, in the circumstances which the war has imposed, to consent, on terms, to a temporary abandonment of her plans. There can be no peace with Germany while her attitude is what the Imperial Chancellor declares it to be. Austria's attitude, as stated by Count Czernin, the Foreign Minister, is one which comes more into line with the Allies' demands. He regards President Wilson's most recent proposals as "an appreciable approach to the Austro-Hungarian point of view," and he has declared that Austria has no intention of demanding from Russia "a single square metre of territory or a single centimetre of indemnity." But he has also declared that so far as President Wilson's proposals concern Austria's allies, Austria would remain faithful and fight to the end in defence of her Allies. The emphasis placed in the telegram from Vienna on the two words italicised is noteworthy and calls for explanation. It would seem intended to invite communications. The view taken by The Times that the two statements are a concerted and pre-arranged peace offensive seems highly probable. The Austrian statement appears to offer a basis of discussion for a separate peace, but this seems an impracticable step at present. It is impossible to avoid the suspicion that Germany may even be using Austria-Hungary in this matter to serve her own ends. After the war the Austrian will be regarded with far less disfavour and suspicion than the German in Allied and Neutral countries, and it is not at all unlikely that German statesmen would be glad to see a separate peace made with Austria, because even if it was accompanied by conditions that made any assistance to Germany from Austria-Hungary impossible, there would be the longer view that an early reconciliation between Austria and the Entente would open up a means after the war for a resumption of German overseas trade through Austrian houses. "He who sows with the Devil must use a long spoon." We can be quite confident as to the nature of the reply the Allies, including the United States, will give to Germany; but how they—and America particularly—will feel disposed to deal with Austria-Hungary is not so clear.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Coal in Tokyo is now 40 yen a ton.

The annual meeting of seafarers and Subscribers of St. John's Cathedral takes place to-morrow in the City Hall at 5.30 p.m.

The death is reported of Mr. W. R. Hughes, M.L.C.E., Chief Engineer to the Liao River Conservancy. He died at Newchwang from heart disease on the 5th inst.

At the trial of Marascek, an interned Austrian, who was charged with killing a Chinese guard, at the martial court of the Ministry of War, says the "Peking Leader," more than ten of his fellow nationals appeared and testified that they saw him commit the crime.

Eight cases of enteric fever (one fatal) were notified to the Medical Officer of Health last week. One was a Eurasian, 2 Japanese and the rest Chinese. There were also four fatal cases of diphtheria in the Colony last week, all Chinese.

The weekly religious meeting of the Helena May Institute on Tuesday afternoon at 5.30 o'clock will be conducted by the Rev. J. K. Macdonald, who will give the third of a series on "Teachings of Christ" with regard to daily life. The meeting is open to all women.

One of the robbers in connection with the Gresson street tragedy died in the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday afternoon. This was the robber who shot himself just after the bomb was thrown into the house.

The body of a Chinese detective 184, Wong Kan, was sent to the Public Mortuary yesterday. It was stated that when the man came off duty last night, he told his wife that he felt very cold. The doctor was sent for but the man died immediately after he returned home. This is probably a case of heart disease.

In our report of the proceedings at the Magistrate on Saturday when the magistrate discharged Sapper Bloomfield who had been in custody in connection with the murder of Sergeant Johnstone, Mr. King's statement to the Court should read: "The events on (not 'before') last Tuesday presented new possibilities" &c.

"OUR LITTLE BIT" SOCIETY.

The above Society has to-day sent to Messrs. Shaw, Tong & Co., two cases of war comforts as below to be forwarded to the Hon. Superintendent, Red Cross Depot, No. 2 Shed, Alexandra Dock, Bombay—720 rolled bandages, 99 flannel vests, 122 suits pyjamas, 10 pairs stretcher boots, 30 sleeveless sweaters, 50 pairs socks, 52 pairs mittens, 30 milk covers, 33 mufflers, 64 white woollen caps, 2 quilts, 2 pillows and 1 lot magazines.

Sent to Capt. Cassel for distribution to local troops—200 woollen mufflers.

THE MILLION DOLLAR OPIUM CASE.

After 122 days' hearing in Court, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, and many days' discussion in chambers, the case known as the Opium Case, in which the Official Receiver brought an action against Li Hysan and Ma Chi Leung, finished this afternoon. Mr. F. C. Jenkins was the last Counsel to address the Court.

Judgment has been reserved. The case has been the longest ever known in the Colony.

THE INIMITABLE GOLDIN AT VICTORIA THEATRE TO-MORROW.

Horace Goldin and his company are to open at the Victoria Theatre to-morrow for five days only. This famed illusionist is the master modern magician. He performs his tricks with such remarkable celerity that he has been termed "The Whirlwind Illusionist." One of his latest masterpieces is to make a giant disappear off the stage because the lady playing it had struck a discordant chord, and in his anger the magician causes the lady to disappear also. The greatest creation, though, is his Moorish Mystery. Goldin in Morocco, a brilliant spectacular pantomime display. The whole illusion is performed amid a score of Oriental splendour never before attempted by a magician here. Auxiliaries are necessary to the successful presentation of Mr. Goldin's act, and he is supported by Miss Babington, a charming artist, who is his chief assistant. Goldin's show is a night's entertainment in itself.

THE MAGISTRACY.

ILLIOT OPIUM.

A Chinese woman was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with being in unlawful possession of nineteen tins of prepared opium other than Government opium.

Revenue Inspector Lanigan said the opium was found concealed in a waistcoat, specially made, which the defendant was wearing.

Defendant pleaded guilty and said she bought the opium in Annam.

A fine of \$1,000 with the alternative of six months' hard labour was imposed.

Another woman was charged with the possession of twenty tins of illicit opium.

Defendant, pleading guilty, said that while on the voyage from Annam, a man offered her \$20 to convey the opium ashore in Hongkong.

A similar fine was imposed.

CAUGHT COMMITTING A BURGLARY.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning with committing burglary at No. 41 Lower Macao Row early this morning.

It was stated that the defendant effected an entrance into the house by pushing back the bolt of the door. He entered the room and stole a suit of clothes and a watch, total value \$13.50. In going out of the room, he blundered against the door. The noise awakened the complainant who arrested him.

Defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

CAME TO HONGKONG TO BEG.

Nine Chinese were charged before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning, with being stayaways on board the a.s. Kinshen from Canton.

Acting-Inspector Davitt said none of the defendants had enough money to pay their fares to Hongkong, and they all came down with the express purpose of begging. The purser of the steamer had told him that two or three beggars were often found stowed away on board, but generally he had let them go.

Mr. Dyer Ball imposed on defendant a fine of \$2 or seven days' hard labour each, and cautioned them against returning to the Colony when they were sent away again.

THE CONFIDENCE TRICK.

A Chinese cock has reported to the Police that on the 26th instant he received \$55.75 from his master to "pay off some bills. Whilst in Bonham Strand he was accosted by a stranger who produced an envelope which he said contained 600 dollars in banknotes. The cock was asked to change the notes and was promised \$2 for his trouble.

A guarantee being asked for, he gave the stranger the \$55.75. On his way to the money changer he opened the envelope and found it to contain only waste paper. The stranger had disappeared in the meanwhile.

A Chinese married woman living at No. 230 Shanghai Street, reports that yesterday whilst walking between Kowloon City and Yau-mai she met two men who, by means of the banknotes confidence trick, stole from her three articles of jewelry valued at \$20. The thieves absconded.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, D.S.P. (R.).

The following letter is published for information of all ranks.

I am directed by the Governor to convey to you and through you to the Officers, Inspectors, Sergeants, and Constables of the Police Reserve His Excellency's great appreciation of the assistance to the Police Force rendered by the Reserve in connection with the Gresson Street murders, and of the sympathy and help extended to the Hongkong Police on the occasion of the burial of the victims of the outrage.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
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SPORTING.

CRICKET.

KOWLOON C.C. v. H.K.C.C.

In this match, played on Saturday afternoon, onlookers were treated to some very exciting cricket. Kowloon went to the wickets first and after four men had been dismissed for 75, Stalker was joined by Robinson and nearly one hundred runs were put on during the combination. Stalker, punished, the bowling whilst Robinson gave him as much of it as possible, taking an occasional boundary for himself. The innings finished by Kowloon declaring at 115 wickets for 200 runs, of which Stalker made 114, carrying his bat. Hongkong started off well, J. E. Pearce and H. E. Muriel making 36 and 73 respectively. The other scores included two double figures totals and the innings finished with a total of 170 for seven wickets. This drawn game rather spoiled bowling averages but seeing that Donnelly bowled 13 overs and his analysis showed four wickets for 88, all credit is due him for bowling so tirelessly. Scores—

Kowloon C.C.	H.K.C.C.
F. Wheeler, b Donnelly	6
J. Stalker, not out	114
J. H. Muriel, b Morgan	16
A. A. Oulton, c Gray, b Donnelly ..	4
P. H. Cobb, b Donnelly	4
L. J. Blackburn, l.b.w., b Donnelly ..	4
J. E. Robinson, c Donnelly, b Pearce ..	4
J. E. Muriel, not out	13
L. E. S. (Hodge)	1
R. Pestonji	1
A. de Souza	1
Extras	10
Total	200

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Donnelly	13	8	88	4
Morgan	13	65	37	1
T. E. Pearce	7	37	1	1

H.K.C.C.	O.	M.	R.	W.
T. E. Pearce, b Stalker	16	8	36	1
H. E. Muriel, c Stalker, b Cobb	7	3	8	1
Capt. H. E. Gray, b Cobb	8	3	8	1
L. H. E. Muriel, b Cobb	6	3	8	1
M. M. Muriel, not out	6	3	8	1
S. P. Tharfield, not out	4	3	8	1
R. Kennedy, b Pestonji	1	3	8	1
F. Sutton	1	3	8	1
F. W. S. Evans	1	3	8	1
D. E. Donnelly, c Stalker, b Stalker ..	13	0	30	1
L. Col. Morgan	13	0	30	1
Extras	10	0	30	1
Total	170	0	30	1

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Two wickets and 77 runs was the substantial margin by which the Engineers secured the victory over the Middlesex XI on Saturday. Reake's bowling for the Engineers was mainly responsible for this and in addition, when the batsmen went to the wicket, four of the five scores were made. The Middlesex were fully dismissed for 38 which was mainly due to the Engineers with 11 for nine wickets. The Middlesex Captain made frequent changes in his bowlers, no less than seven of the team being put on, of whom Battersworth was able to make any sort of showing taking two wickets for eight runs. Scores:—

MIDDLESEX v. R.E.

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Middlesex	O.	M.	R.	W.
L. Opl. Butterworth, run out	1	0	0	0
L. Opl. Tebbutt, b Crippwell	5	0	0	0
Pie. Grove, c Reakes, b Crippwell ..	1	0	0	0
Pie. Woodward, b Reakes	0	0	0	0
Pie. Smith, b Crippwell	3	0	0	0
Pie. Furnell, b Crippwell	3	0	0	0
L. Cooper, c Osborne, b Crippwell ..	0	0	0	0
L. Dickinson, not out	11	0	0	0
L. Heasman, b Reakes	8	0	0	0
L. O. Thompson, l.b.w., Reakes	0	0	0	0
L. O. Thompson, b Reakes	0	0	0	0
L. O. Thompson, b Reakes	0	0	0	0
Extras	6	0	0	0
Total	38	0	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	O.	M.	R.	W.
C.M.S. Reakes	9	2	18	4
C. S. Crippwell	9	5	14	5

R.E.

Sgt. Macgregor, retired	17
Opl. Adams, b Furnell	10
Spr. Osborne, b Furnell	4
C.M.S. Reakes, b Tebbutt	38
Spr. Walker, not out	22
Lt. Wall, c Thompson, b Butterworth ..	6
Spr. Millard, b Smith	6
Cpl. Heath, c Grove, b Butterworth ..	0
S. C. Crippwell, b Dickinson	0
Extras	11
Total (for 5 wickets)	115

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lt. Cooper	10	2	34	0
Pie. Furnell	7	0	16	9
Tebbutt	3	0	23	1
Lt. Opl. Butterworth	3	0	8	3
Pie. Smith	3	0	8	1
Pie. Woodward	2	1	4	0
Lt. Dickinson	2	0	11	1

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NAVY.

A. P. Wild, b Un How Fan 16 |

Ag. Hack, not out 30 |

Commander Gibson, not out 113 |

Extras 0 |

Total (for 7 wickets, declared) 239 |

Lt. Cary, A. P. Robinson, A. R. Henley, Ldg. Seaman Godfrey, Dr. Staley, P. H

TELEGRAMS.

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AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

A CONGRESS OF COSSACKS.

WAR ON GENERAL KALEDIN.

LONDON, Jan. 27. A wireless message from Russia says that a Congress of Cossacks from the Front was inaugurated at Kamensky on the 23rd inst., at which twenty-three regiments and five batteries were represented and also all the participants in the Voronezh Conference which has been labouring for Cossackdom.

General Kaledin ordered the dispersal of the Congress and the arrest of its organisers.

The Congress unanimously passed a resolution of war on General Kaledin, relegating to itself all authority on the Don. They also sent out detachments for the purpose of capturing Likhaya and Zverovo and arrested eighteen superior officers.

The Cossacks are fired with enthusiasm. They are striving to end Kaledin with the assistance of the army of the Workmen's and Peasants' Government, with the object of destroying the bourgeoisie of Russia on the Don and leading to the victory of the great Revolution.

THE CONGRESS OF SOVIETS.

SCOTSMAN ELECTED HONORARY PRESIDENT.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27. The Congress of Soviets has elected a Glasgow man named Maclean as honorary President. The Congress of Peasants has been dissolved and its Executive arrested.

SEPARATE PEACE WITH UKRAINE NOT ASSURED.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 26. A semi-official note denies the Austro-German assertion that a separate peace with Ukraine is assured. It says that these are intended to appease the Central Powers' proletariat by a promise of a relief of the food shortage, and declares that the masses of Ukraine will never consent to such an agreement.

M. TROTSKY'S REMEDY FOR SALVATION.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 25. M. Trotsky, addressing the Pan-Russian Congress of the Soviets, said that the presence of foreign comrades symbolised a general revolt against the ancient capitalist system of Europe and America. Universal suffrage was obsolete and a dictatorship by the proletariat was the sole salvation.

RUMANIA AND RUSSIA.

TEMPORARY OCCUPATION OF RUSSIAN TERRITORY.

ODESSA, Jan. 27. Four Rumanian Senators and officers arrested here on a charge of espionage have been released at the instance of the Allied Council.

It is announced that the Rumanian Government has been forced for self-protection to temporarily occupy certain points in Russian territory.

RUMANIAN TROOPS SURROUND KISHINEFF.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27. It is reported that Rumanian troops have surrounded Kishineff and are fighting heavily with Bolshevik troops.

FINNISH BOULGIVANS.

BRITISH PROTEST.

HELSINKI, Jan. 26. The British Consul has protested to the Senate against acts of violence and robberies against British subjects in Finland.

The Senate has sent an ultimatum to the Russian Government to cease supplying arms to Finnish hooligans who are committing excesses assisted by Russian soldiery. Otherwise, a state of war will be proclaimed immediately.

THE FRICTION BETWEEN AUSTRIA AND GERMANY.

GERMANY DISPLEASED WITH AUSTRIAN PRESS.

LONDON, Jan. 27. Various incidents of the last few weeks have added to the fuel of the long-standing friction between Germany and Austria. The free Austrian comments on German affairs, the promises given by Count Czernin to the Socialists and the generally conciliatory tone of Count Czernin's speech of yesterday has displeased those German governing circles which command the newspapers, consequently German Press comment has been singularly sharp and disagreeable. On the other hand, Austria's anxiety for peace in unquestionable Austrian Liberal Socialist opinion, which is powerful, resents the arrogant tone and uncompromising attitude of Germany, which makes negotiation impossible and only strengthens the determination of the Allies to prosecute the war.

MEETINGS PROHIBITED IN STUTTGART.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 27. In consequence of disturbances at the meetings of the Fatherland Party, the Commander of the Wurtemberg Army Corps has prohibited public meetings in the Stuttgart district.

BARCELONA UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

MADRID, Jan. 22. Martial law has been proclaimed in the province of Barcelona, owing to a grave development of the disorders.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 24.

Messrs. Samuel, Montagu and Company's report on the silver market says that the tone of the market is not robust. It has doubtless been influenced sympathetically by easier exchange rates from Shanghai. Dealers in New York have shown less confidence and supplies are coming from there somewhat freely. The trade and continental demand has lessened and consequently the price has fallen rather substantially. The Indian silver holding has been further reduced.

LONDON, Jan. 25. The silver market is quiet.

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CIVIL WAR IN CHINA.

PRESIDENT LEAVES THE CAPITAL.

PROPOSES TO DEAL WITH THE SITUATION HIMSELF.

["Chinese Mail" Service.]

PEKING, Jan. 27.

The President left Peking last night by special train at 8.30, accompanied by a bodyguard of 1,500 soldiers with four machine-guns and also 200 boxes of ammunition. The Cabinet Ministers and the Foreign Ministers, including Sir John Jordan, were at the station to see the President off.

On arrival at Tientsin the President and Tin Man Lit proceeded to the Tientsin's yamen whilst the President's retinue, consisting of 150 persons, remained on the train.

Yesterday afternoon the President held a hurried reception of the members of the National Council, at Waiyungang.

Speaking at the reception the President said: "My departure south to Tientsin, Tsinanfu and Nanking is most important for the solution of the political problem and my return, within one week, will bring with it the decision between peace and war. My earnest expectation is that you will dispel party feeling and arrange, as early as possible, for a formal Parliament in order that no excuse shall be given to the South."

After his speech the President handed all his official seals to Wong Shi Chen.

Speaking through the interpretation of Luk Ching Chang to Sir John Jordan, the President said that no anxiety should be felt regarding the peace and order of Peking. Reinforcements had already been sent to Yochow, Kingsha and Sheungshan which had already been re-captured and Hupeh was therefore quite safe. Luk Wing Ting had already 60,000 to 70,000 soldiers but he would find it difficult to remain in Huanan with Kwangtung in Lung Chi Kwang's hands; therefore Luk Wing Ting's position was unsafe.

The President concluded his speech by saying that he felt an early peace was possible.

Yesterday, Chang Wei Chi and Tsao Kun telegraphed requesting the President not to leave Peking. Tsao Kun stated that there was no necessity for the President personally leading troops. If the President issued a mandate declaring war within three hours Tsao Kun would proceed, otherwise he would be willing to submit to Court Martial.

The President replied that his decision was final and that he would talk to Tsao Kun at Tientsin.

The President has sent a circular telegram to the provinces stating briefly that he is proceeding to the South on a tour of inspection.

An interview given out by persons associated with the President states that the President at the longest will be away from the Capital three weeks by which time he expects peace will be concluded. Otherwise the President will himself lead troops to Wuchang. In that event the date of his return to the Capital is uncertain.

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ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

ANNUAL PRIZE-GIVING.

St. Joseph's College held its annual prize distribution in the College hall of the new building last Saturday, the Hon. Mr. Pollock, K.C., presiding over a large gathering of parents and friends of the students.

The proceedings opened up with a concert by the students, all the items submitted being excellently performed and received with applause. Mention must be made of a recitation entitled "The Trump Musician's Home Sweet Home" which was recited by Master A. M. Xavier. This piece was delivered in a manner which reflected great credit on those responsible for the young student's training in elocution. The Chorus "Ye Mariners of England" and "The Wolf is on the Hill" were well rendered by the College choir and were received with applause as was also a duet and a recitation which followed it.

The Headmaster, Bro. AIMAR, presented the following school report for the year:—

I have very great pleasure in welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Pollock in our midst this afternoon and beg to extend the same hearty welcome to all here for honouring us with their presence.

The school year under review has been an eventful one for the College, as the brief record of events hereafter presented will show. The number of scholars enrolled during the year was 654, and the average attendance 510; 53 are boarders. Mr. Ralphs inspected the College last June, and reported the equipment satisfactory and the discipline very good. He noted that the syllabus is similar to that followed in previous years, except that, as in Government schools, algebra and geometry are no longer taught in Classes 4 and 5. The time saved is given to English subjects and arithmetic.

The Inspector's general report is as follows:— "In all classes written work was examined and found to be very good throughout. It was found that weak points to which attention was drawn at the last inspection have been carefully attended to, with satisfactory results."

"I find that, as in previous year, all exercise books are regularly corrected by the Masters and then inspected by the Director or Sub-Director. Test examinations are held at intervals throughout the year."

"In Class 8A there is again an improvement in discipline, and also in the work of the class generally. This class is, I consider, one of special difficulty, and the Brother who has taught the class for some 15 years deserves every praise. Special mention must be made of the Drawing in many of the classes where it is encouraged by the Masters. In Class 4A the Chayon Drawing is very good, and in Class 4B Drawing is particularly well taught, on intelligent methods. In Reading and Conversation constant efforts are required to be devoted to pronunciation which, though good, is in many cases capable of improvement."

Six candidates passed the Matriculation and three the Senior Local Examination of the University of Hongkong; 24 passed the Junior Local, making a total of 33. Noel Braga obtained distinction in English, E. Aubrey and R. Vabois in drawing. The percentage of passes was 60 in the Matriculation and Senior Examination, and 85 in the Junior. Thirty-one candidates entered for the Preliminary Oxford Local; the results are not yet known. I believe the public examinations have their value. Although the results of the Matriculation and Senior Local are on the whole satisfactory, I shall not be satisfied unless our Senior candidates do much better this year and attain a record of over 90 per cent as in 1915 and 1916.

The danger from public examinations is when people come to think the success or not of a school can be measured by merely counting the number of boys who pass them. An examination can only partially test the work of a school. The training of a boy is a lifelong task; he must be given the opportunity of training his intelligence by hard study, his physical powers by regular exercise and hard play, and, above all, his character by strict discipline at home and in school.

The boys have shown themselves to be sportsmen, and to be a sportsman is a fine qualification for their future careers, by imparting to them good feeling, endurance and discipline. The College had a most successful athletic season. In the Hongkong Schools Football League the College performed the creditable feat of capturing both Junior and Senior premierships. The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn in leading the shield to the captain of the Senior team said that the team had a true record in the Hongkong Schools' Sports. The College won the Team Race for the sixth year in succession. In addition to this we carried off the Half-mile Race, the Quarter-mile Race, and the Senior Championship. For the first

time, the College won the Inter-School Swimming Shield.

The College Athletic Sports were held at Happy Valley on the 16th April and were largely attended. The Committee of the College Association deserve great credit, and our best thanks for their assistance in the organization of our annual sports. The College students took part in the class contest for the shield presented by the Hongkong Chess Club for competition among the schools of the Colony.

The want of class-room accommodation had been felt for many years. We had but eight suitable class-rooms and we needed 15. This substantial little building, which that long-felt want. Commenced in September 1917, when 300 pupils were transferred to the eight bright and comfortable class-rooms in the first and second floors. This recreation hall which forms the ground-floor is always available for assembling the boys, and for sheltering them in hot or wet weather. To Mr. Little, who designed and supervised the building, and to Mr. J. Chaputong for his assistance as the director of works, I tender my best thanks. The work has been done in a very satisfactory way.

The College Branch School in Kowloon for the convenience of the younger European children was opened on the 5th September last, and is attended by 65 young pupils.

I wish I had nothing else to record. Unfortunately the unexpected happened. On the 18th July last, the retaining wall which supported the playground and collapsed, causing the death of six persons and material damage to our good neighbours. A solid wall is being built according to the plan and under the supervision of Mr. F. R. J. Adams. These improvements and that sad accident have entailed a very heavy expenditure which our resources are quite inadequate to cover. Necessity compelled us to appeal to the generosity and charity of the parents of our pupils and the friends of the College.

In response to my appeal the parents have willingly consented to pay \$1 extra per month. The Government has awarded a Building Grant of \$5,000. I avail myself of this occasion to record the magnificent donation of \$12,000 by the widow and sons of the late Mr. Li Shek Pang who was one of the students of the College after its foundation in 1875. On behalf of the College I beg Mrs. Li Shek Pang and her sons to accept my heartfelt thanks. A memorial tablet will be erected commemorating their generosity, and this hall will be known as Li Shek Pang Hall. A gold medal will also be awarded yearly to the first boy in classical Chinese at the Matriculation Examination. To the other benefactors I extend my sincere thanks.

The names of all those who have given over \$100 will be engraved on marble tablets in remembrance of their charity. We did not expect to have to meet an extraordinary expenditure of over \$70,000 in less than a year; hence, notwithstanding the liberal gifts we have already received, we shall have to continue to knock at the door of our kind friends and of the well-wishers of the College to pay off the debts incurred. It now remains for me to thank your Honour for presiding over this function, and Mrs. Pollock for presenting the prizes. To our generous benefactors and lovers of prizes I beg to offer the expression of my gratitude.

Mrs. Pollock distributed the prizes. Below we give a list of prizes obtained by the students of the principal classes:—

JUNIOR CLASS.

General Proficiency and Distinction in English:—N. Braga (Brother Peter's Memorial Scholarship). General Proficiency:—L. Xavier (Bellios Scholarship). Religious Knowledge:—1st, E. Aubrey; 2nd, W. Michael. Mathematics:—1st, J. Xavier; 2nd, Chow Fong. History:—1st, W. Michael; 2nd, K. Brani. Geography:—1st, J. Xavier; 2nd, W. Michael. Arithmetic:—1st, S. H. Saper; 2nd, Chow Fong. Drawing:—1st, E. Aubrey (distinction); 2nd, J. Xavier. French:—E. Aubrey. Chinese:—Chow Fong.

SENIOR CLASS.

Religious Knowledge:—1st, Chow Yick Sing (Bishop D. Pozzoni's Prize); 2nd, J. Coromina. English:—1st, Coromina (Senior Bellios Scholarship). English Literature:—E. V. de Souza (Sir N. H. Mody's Gold Medal). Mathematics:—1st, Chow Yick Sing; 2nd, Bin Chang Lin. Modern Languages:—1st, Jose Basto (Portuguese); 2nd, J. Coromina (French). Chinese:—1st, Chow Yick Sing (Li Shek Pang's Gold Medal); 2nd, J. Bin Chang Lin. History:—1st, Chow Yick Sing; 2nd, J. Bin Chang Lin. Geography:—1st, Chow Yick Sing; 2nd, J. Bin Chang Lin. Drawing:—1st, Basto. Book-keeping:—1st, Chow Yick Sing; 2nd, J. Bin Chang Lin. Translation:—1st, J. Bin Chang Lin; 2nd, J. V. de Souza.

EXAMINATIONS.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION (PASSES):—1, Ernest Sahmet; 2, J. Binchang Lin; 3, J. J. Basto; 4, J. Coromina; 5, E. V. de Souza; 6, Chow Yick Sing.

SENIOR LOCAL (PASSES):—1, M. A. Camero; 2, A. A. Abdolrahim; 3, R. M. Omar.

JUNIOR LOCAL (PASSES):—W.

Michael, C. Guimang, Loo Pak Luk, Robert White, R. Sequeira, M. Go Koo Cheng, P. O'Brien, J. Chow Fong, R. Vabois, D. P. Cooper, F. N. Gomes, K. H. Efani, Jose Xavier, A. da Cruz, D. Urquhart, C. Hyndman d'Almeida, E. Aubrey, Lawrence Jack, N. Braga, A. Hosenally, S. A. Saper, J. V. Cordeiro, G. Miller and L. Xavier.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock, in a few well-chosen remarks, thanked the Brothers for the kind reception accorded Mrs. Pollock and himself. This was the first time he had ever presided over a prize distribution during his thirty years' residence in the Colony and it was with pleasure that he had accepted the invitation. He congratulated the students on their successes during the past year and expressed the hope that the coming year would be as successful. It was necessary, he said, that hard work and good work should be done, especially at the present moment when competition was so keen and employers on the look out for fully equipped young men. The training followed in school would make them better citizens and useful men in the Colony and would prepare them for the struggle in the battle of life. (Cheers.)

The National Anthem was sung and the function brought to a termination.

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Yet for the third time autumn sheds her store
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Nor is there yet an ending to the war.
The men who should have marched triumphant home,
Beating their spoils, stand desperate, at bay.
And mighty legions far across the foam
Arm and prepare to meet them in the fray.
The end is certain; yet no man may tell
When victory shall rest upon our side,
Nothing shall save him from his ill-made hell,
However loud the Prussian lord may brag,
But every day and night he hears the cry,<
Be it by tented field or gilded hall,
Of men who thirst to triumph or to die,
"No ill will the Kaiser and his minions
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BREST-LITOVSK.

Brest-Litovsk, the scene of the enemy's peace negotiations with Russia, is a strongly fortified town of Russia, in the Government of Grodno, situated at the junction of the river Mukhomov with the Bug, and at the intersection of railways from Warsaw, Kiev, Moscow and East Prussia. The population in 1901 was 49,000, of whom more than half were Jews. It contains a Jewish synagogue, which was regarded in the 16th century as the first in Europe, and is the seat of an Armenian and a Greek Catholic Bishop. The town had an extensive trade in grain, flax, hemp, wool, tar and leather. First referred to in the 11th century, Brest-Litovsk was in 1241 laid waste by the Mongols, and was not rebuilt till 1275. Its suburbs were burned by the Tatar knights in 1377, and at the end of the 16th century the whole town was situated (also at the hands of the Polish King Sigismund III) in the hands of the Khan of the Crimea. In the reign of the Polish King Sigismund III, Brest was laid in the year 1610, and in 1696 it was the meeting place of two remarkable councils of the bishops of Western Russia. In 1697 and again in 1700 the town was captured by the Swedes. In 1704 it was the scene of the famous "Brest-Litovsk" massacre, when 10,000 Polish soldiers were killed. In 1795 it was taken by the Russian Empire.

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GALLANTRY OF TANK CREWS.

Mr. Philip Gibbs, the Daily Chronicle's correspondent, in describing the valuable work of the tanks, not only when they pierced the "Hindenburg" line, but during the later defence against the German counter-attacks, quotes remarkable examples of the endurance and gallantry of tank crews. One tank remained in action, surrounded by hostile troops and guns, for 84 hours. Another was "400 yards ahead of the infantry, and reached the German trenches, where it remained for an hour and a half, (killed by machine guns). Finally a German shell directly hit the tank, rendering it hors de combat. The crew then dismounted their Lewis guns and opened fire on the enemy, who still held the trenches.

Other tanks came up under the fire of a field gun worked by a German major. The young lieutenant commanding the tank directed them to a nest of machine guns which were holding up the British advance. The lieutenant climbed on top of his detailed tank in order to get a better field of fire for his Lewis gun. When all his guns had become red-hot and jammed, and his ammunition was exhausted, he, with his crew, and assumed the command of a company of infantry, whose captain had been killed.

It is reported from Rome that

Barracks entered the Kaiser's palace at

Wilhelmshafen, and were captured by the

British forces, and the capture of

great military and historical value.

ENGAGED COUPLES AS VETERAN

SUFFERERS.

A contributor to the *Pall Mall Gazette* writes:—

I have heard of several cases of young

women in deep distress because they are

refused passports to go to Hongkong,

Shanghai, Singapore, and India on

purpose to be married. The fiancé in

each case is in the order of the Crown

Colonies or India. He is not allowed to

come home, and the lady is refused the

necessary passport to go out to him.

Ultimate power in this matter rests

with the Home Office. I hope that, something

may be done for these separated lovers.

Opportunities of marriage for girls at

home are already scarce enough, and

anything that would send out our

womanhood overseas should be carefully

aged. *Pall Mall Gazette.*

Sir J. G. Chiffney, Member of the

House of Commons, has written to the

Ministry of Shipping, and has

carried 4,000 tons of meat. He called

first at an English port because of engine

trouble. There were good reasons for

not unloading the meat there. The

vessel was swept by four air-trucks

heretofore. It is described as

one of the midwives of the war.

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DESTINATION.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATE.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & YOKOHAMA	SUWA MARU, Capt. Sekine, Tons 21,000	WEDNESDAY, 13th Feb., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	FUSHIMI MARU, Capt. Iizawa, Tons 21,000	WEDNESDAY, 13th Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU, Capt. Akamatsu, Tons 13,500	FRIDAY, 15th Feb. at 11 a.m.
YOKOHAMA	KAMO MARU, Capt. Shimizu, Tons 16,000	MONDAY, 11th Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	IYO MARU, Capt. Iizawa, Tons 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 20th Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. Iizawa, Tons 8,000	MONDAY, 19th Jan. 28th
SHANGHAI & KOBE	CEYLON MARU, Capt. Iizawa, Tons 10,000	SATURDAY, 2nd Feb.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	TENSHIN MARU, Capt. Taniguchi, Tons 8,000	MONDAY, 28th Jan.

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THE Homeward Mail Steamer carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port as usual taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports.

Passengers' accommodation in the connecting vessel is secured before a departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuable Cargo for Italy, France and London (under arrangement) will be conveyed in this steamer proceeding via Bombay and there transhipped to the connecting steamer for Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 3 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, sailing dates etc. apply to

E. V. D. FARR,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, Nov. 23, 1917.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

S.S. "VENEZUELA"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, SHANGHAI AND MANILA.

THE above-mentioned vessel having arrived from above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bill of Lading can be counter-signed.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, January 29th, 1918, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after January 30th, 1918, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the Underwriters in any case whatever.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature immediately.

J. ORAM SHEPPARD, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1918.

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KONINKLIJKE PAKETVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PENANG AND SINGAPORE

THE Steamship "JACOB" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd February, 1918, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st February, 1918, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after noon the 21st January, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the Underwriters in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN L.L.N. Agents.

Hongkong, Jan. 25, 1918.

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JAYA PACIFIC L.L.N.

JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN L.L.N.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "BINTANG" having arrived from SAN FRANCISCO, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after noon the 21st January, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th January, at 10 a.m. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Insurance whatever has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN L.L.N. Agents.

Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1918.

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